

FRAMINGHAM RISK SCORE (FRS)

Estimation of 10-year Cardiovascular Disease (CVD) Risk

Step 1¹

In the "points" column enter the appropriate value according to the patient's age, HDL-C, total cholesterol, systolic blood pressure, and if they smoke or have diabetes. Calculate the total points.

Risk Factor	Risk Points		Points	
	Men	Women		
Age				
30-34	0	0		
35-39	2	2		
40-44	5	4		
45-49	6	5		
50-54	8	7		
55-59	10	8		
60-64	11	9		
65-69	12	10		
70-74	14	11		
75+	15	12		
HDL-C (mmol/L)				
> 1.6	-2	-2		
1.3-1.6	-1	-1		
1.2-1.29	0	0		
0.9-1.19	1	1		
< 0.9	2	2		
Total Cholesterol				
< 4.1	0	0		
4.1-5.19	1	1		
5.2-6.19	2	3		
6.2-7.2	3	4		
> 7.2	4	5		
Systolic Blood Pressure (mmHg)	Not Treated	Treated	Not Treated	Treated
< 120	-2	0	-3	-1
120-129	0	2	0	2
130-139	1	3	1	3
140-149	2	4	2	5
150-159	2	4	4	6
160+	3	5	5	7
Smoker	Yes	4	3	
	No	0	0	
Diabetes	Yes*	3	4	
	No	0	0	
Total Points				

1 Adapted from: D'Agostino RB et al. (1). General cardiovascular risk profile for use in primary care. The Framingham Heart Study. *Circ* 2008;117:743-53.
 2 Adapted from: Genest J et al. (1). 2009 Canadian Cardiovascular Society/Canadian guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of dyslipidemia and prevention of cardiovascular disease in the adult. *Can J Cardiol*. 2009;25(10):567-579.
 3 Adapted from: Anderson T et al. (1). 2012 Update of the Canadian Cardiovascular Society guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of dyslipidemia for the prevention of cardiovascular disease in the adult. *Can J Cardiol*. 2013;29(2):151-167.
 4 Adapted from: Pearson G et al. (1). 2021 Canadian Cardiovascular Society Guidelines for the Management of Dyslipidemia for the Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease in Adults. *Can J Cardiol*. 2021;37(8):1129-1150.
 * apoB: apolipoprotein B stat, CVD: cardiovascular disease, FRS: Framingham Risk Score, HDL-C: high-density lipoprotein cholesterol, LDL-C: low-density lipoprotein cholesterol.
 * For most patients with diabetes, calculating their FRS is not needed for treatment decisions in primary prevention as a statin would be indicated in most of this population, including: age ≥ 40 yrs old **or** age ≥ 30 yrs & DM ≥ 15 yrs duration **or** microvascular disease.

Patient's Name: _____

Date: _____

Step 2¹

Using the total points from Step 1, determine the 10-year CVD risk* (%).

Total Points	10-Year CVD Risk (%)*	
	Men	Women
-3 or less	< 1	< 1
-2	1.1	< 1
-1	1.4	1.0
0	1.6	1.2
1	1.9	1.5
2	2.3	1.7
3	2.8	2.0
4	3.3	2.4
5	3.9	2.8
6	4.7	3.3
7	5.6	3.9
8	6.7	4.5
9	7.9	5.3
10	9.4	6.3
11	11.2	7.3
12	13.2	8.6
13	15.6	10.0
14	18.4	11.7
15	21.6	13.7
16	25.3	15.9
17	29.4	18.5
18	> 30	21.5
19	> 30	24.8
20	> 30	28.5
21+	> 30	> 30

* Double cardiovascular disease risk percentage for individuals between the ages of 30 and 59 without diabetes if the presence of a positive history of premature cardiovascular disease is present in a first-degree relative before 55 years of age for men and before 65 years of age for women. This is known as the modified Framingham Risk Score.¹

Step 3¹

Using the total points from Step 1, determine heart age (in years).

Heart Age, y	Men		Women	
	Men	Women	Men	Women
< 30	< 0	< 1		
30	0			
31		1		
32	1			
34	2	2		
36	3	3		
38	4			
39		4		
40	5			
42	6	5		
45	7	6		
48	8	7		
51	9	8		
54	10			
55		9		
57	11			
59		10		
60	12			
64	13	11		
68	14	12		
72	15			
73		13		
76	16			
79		14		
> 80	≥ 17	15+		

Step 4^{2,3,4}

Using 10-year CVD risk from Step 2, determine if patient is Low, Intermediate or High risk.¹

Risk Level ¹	Initiate Statin Treatment if:	Consider Add-on Therapy or Treatment Intensification
High FRS ≥ 20%	Consider treatment in all (Strong, High)	If LDL-C ≥ 2 mmol/L or Non-HDL-C > 2.6 mmol/L or ApoB ≥ 0.80 g/L on maximally tolerated statin dose
Intermediate FRS 10-19%	If LDL-C ≥ 3.5 mmol/L or (Strong, Moderate) If LDL-C < 3.5 mmol/L initiate if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • non-HDL-C ≥ 4.3 mmol/L or • ApoB ≥ 1.05 g/L or (Strong, Moderate) • Men ≥ 50 yrs and women ≥ 60 yrs with 1 additional risk factor: low HDL-C, impaired fasting glucose, high waist circumference, smoker, or hypertension, or with the presence of other risk modifiers: hsCRP ≥ 2 mg/L, CAC > 0 AU, family history of premature CAD, Lp(a) ≥ 100 mol/L (≥ 50 mg/dL) 	If LDL-C ≥ 2 mmol/L or Non-HDL-C > 2.6 mmol/L or ApoB ≥ 0.80 g/L on maximally tolerated statin dose
Low FRS < 10%	Statins generally not indicated	N/A
Statin-Indicated Conditions** (Consider treatment in all; Strong, High)		
LDL-C ≥ 5 mmol/L or non-HDL-C ≥ 5.8 mmol/L or ApoB ≥ 1.45 g/L (FH or genetic dyslipidemia)		If LDL-C ≥ 2.5 mmol/L or < 50% reduction, or non-HDL-C ≥ 3.2 mmol/L or ApoB ≥ 0.85 g/L
Most patients with diabetes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age ≥ 40 yrs old or Age ≥ 30 yrs & DM ≥ 15 yrs duration or Microvascular disease 		
Chronic Kidney Disease: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age ≥ 50 yrs & eGFR < 60 mL/min/1.73 m² or ACR > 3 mg/mmol. 		If LDL-C ≥ 2.0 mmol/L or non-HDL-C ≥ 2.6 mmol/L or ApoB ≥ 0.80 g/L on maximally tolerated statin dose
Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease (ASCVD): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Myocardial infarction (MI), acute coronary syndrome (ACS), or • Stable angina, documented coronary artery disease (CAD) using angiography, or • Stroke, TIA, documented carotid disease, or • Peripheral arterial disease, claudication, and/or ankle-brachial index (ABI) < 0.9, or • Abdominal aortic aneurysm (AAA) – abdominal aorta > 3.0 cm or previous aneurysm surgery 		
		If LDL-C ≥ 1.8 mmol/L or non-HDL-C ≥ 2.4 mmol/L or ApoB ≥ 0.70 g/L on maximally tolerated statin dose

** Statin-indicated condition refers to any condition for which pharmacotherapy with statins is indicated, and consists of all documented ASCVD conditions, as well as other high-risk primary prevention conditions in the absence of ASCVD.